

Today, I meet with Zachary Blumenfeld from Daniel Wright Jr. High School in Lincolnshire. Zachary and his parents are in Washington for the 2007 National Geographic Geography Bee. As the Illinois Geography Bee champion, he competed in the national finals this week.

During his visit, I quizzed Zachary on a few geographic points. I asked him if he knew where Ulan Baator was. He said “it’s cold there.” Correctomundo.

You can see the two of us looking at a map in my office below. While only in eighth grade, Zachary's knowledge of geography was incredible. Congratulations to Zachary on advancing to the national competition!



Congressman Kirk meets Zachary Blumenfeld in the Washington, DC office.



Congressman Kirk quizzes Zachary on his geography knowledge